Ultima Newsletter

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Monthly Feature: Reflecting on January and February Upcoming Events

Welcome to all of our new Families and Students of Class 54!

It has been a busy time for us all, but we want everyone to feel welcome. There are several committees that you can join if you want to be involved or just want to get out and meet people.

The Ultima FRG is for everyone in the USASMA Family. The general meetings are on the 1st Monday night of every month, 6:30pm at the Biggs Chapel Annex. Please come to get information, sign up for events or activities or just to meet others. If you have any questions or concerns please contact us at atss-frg@bliss.army.mil.

Ultima tee-shirts are now on sale. Look for them at special events or fundraisers. They are gray with the Ultima logo on the upper right chest. They come in M, Lg., Xl. sizes and sell for \$7.50. Get yours TODAY by contacting Elizabeth Gamble @ 562-8822.

Teen Upcoming Events

The Teens hold their meetings the **first** and **third** Tuesday evening of every month, 6:30pm at the Biggs Chapel Annex. All teens (13-19) that are interested in planning events for the teen group should plan to attend to give your input and receive new information. Any adults that want to help with the teen group can contact the Gregory's @ 562-6310. These meeting are a good opportunity to meet new faces and plan your fun for the year.

January 24,2004 Tubing Trip. Cost is \$10.00 per teen, sack lunch and \$ for dinner on way home. They will be departing from the Chapel Annex at 7:45am and returning around 8:00pm.

Tentatively set are: January 30th- Laser Bowling February 7th-Paintball Park February 20th-Lock-In

End of February will be a Youth Retreat ski trip with the Chapel Youth. Cost will be about \$50.00.

If you have any questions concerning these events please contact the Gregory's.

The Scrapbook committee has begun working on the book for this years' class. If you like to crop and want to join in creating a page, contact Ruthann Crecelius for times and dates at 562-6391.

January was packed with events both for the soldier and the

spouses. The first week the soldiers went to numerous briefings while the spouses attended a Q &A with the SMA wives, a dedication ceremony for the Hazel Bainbridge conference room, a Welcome lunch for the Spouses of Class 54, and a Tea Class. USASMA ended the week with the Opening Ceremony where SMA Tilley was the guest speaker, followed by a reception at the Centennial Club. Saturday evening many unwound from the busy week schedule by attending a Mixer held at the VFW Hall. A good time was had by all with many door prizes and some free memberships to the VFW.



Reception after Opening Ceremony



Spouses Welcome Lunch

Birthdays/Anniversaries

January Birthdays:

Victoria Winemiller 1/1 Sulema Jackson 1/1 Darlene Sumter 1/02 Arunothai Isham 1/3 Suk-Son Vargo 1/13 Tina Brott 1/20 Kim Mason 1/26



January Anniversaries:

William Mincey 1/1 Maria Rodriguez 1/6 Laurie Brown 1/10 Donna Callahan 1/16



Petra Mays 1/3
Antonette Burnett 1/6
Linda Harvey 1/12
Paula Osborn 1/21
Milton Connally Jr.
1/21
Suzy Gallego 1/22
OnChi Kindred 1/24
Beverly McClure 1/26
Bongghim Sin 1/27
Richard Dean 1/27
Sherry James 1/28

Upcoming Events

January 22, 2004

Ultima FRG Leadership Meeting 1:00pm at the LRC

January 27, 2004

The Protocol Class has been rescheduled for 6:00pm

February 2, 2004

Ultima FRG General Meeting 6:30pm at the Biggs Chapel Annex

February 4-6, 2004

Spouses Leadership Course Registration for those that signed up begins at 8:00am at the Centennial Club

February 13, 2004
Valentines Dance
7:00 pm at the
Centennial Club



Semi-Formal or



Tickets on sale now \$10.00 per

person Cash Bar & Food

The First Saturday of every month we have a group that go to the Nursing Home to celebrate Birthdays. If you are interested in going please contact Suzy Gallego @ 562-1292.



<u>Ultima FRG Leadership</u>

Contact Information:

FRG Leader: Cynthia Ross 562-4199

Secretary: Donna Callahan 566-8441

Treasurer: Tammy Null 566-2974

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562-6489/ 566-4730

Quilting/Outreach (Nursing Home) Suzy Gallego

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Liz Gamble

Teens: Anna & Harry Gregory 562-6310

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Monthly Messages:

Thank you, to all who helped with all of the Special Events this month. Events like the ones we have had take a lot of hard work and very special, willing people to make them as nice as they are.

The Chili Hotdog/Hamb urger Sale was a tremendous success.



Thank you to all of you who donated food, served, baked and gave your time.

on't forget!!!!!

We have people running for King and Queen for the Valentines Dance. They are collecting donations for their vote, the minimum donation being \$.25. The person with the most collected will be crowned at the dance.

If anyone has pictures that can be put into the Class of 54 Scrapbook Please contact
Ruthann Crecelius.
Pictures from Events
that began in August through the Christmas Party are needed.

If you have information that needs to be placed into the Newsletter please email it to atssfrg@bliss.army.mil no later than the 5th of each month.

The Cookbook committee is taking orders for this years' cookbook. If you would like to preorder your cookbook it is now only \$8.00 or \$10.00 when they arrive. Don't miss out on all of the wonderful recipes that were submitted. To order your cookbook, contact Antonette Burnett.

We have two positions available for leadership that need to be filled. They are for Volunteer Coordinator and Telephone Tree. If you are interested please contact Cynthia Ross.